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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

MECHTHILD RIEPING, ET AL. : EXAMINER: KERR

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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE  
FERMENTATIVE PREPARATION OF L-  
AMINO ACIDS USING STRAINS OF THE  
ENTEROBACTERIACEAE FAMILY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated November 25, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-15.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.